

MASS-MEETING IS HARMONIOUS

Republicans Name Delegates to Congressional Convention And Endorse Slem, Royall and Witten, But not Wilson.

The Republican county convention held here Tuesday in the Court House was one of the largest and most harmonious conventions of the party held here in years. Ex-Senator J. N. Harman, formerly a leading Progressive was made chairman of the meeting, and W. G. O'Brien, was elected secretary. So far as could be seen there was no appearance at all of any "Bull Moose" sentiment in the meeting.

A new county committee, composed of R. O. Crockett, chairman and W. G. O'Brien, secretary, was elected. Members of the committee are as follows:

Jeffersonville District.
Tazewell, S. S. F. Harman; North Tazewell, M. L. Peery; Crockett's Cove, J. P. Whitman; Freestone, S. P. Goodwin; Gap Store, J. O. Dailey; Dry Fork, A. P. Beavers; Thompson Valley, C. A. Leece; Benbow, C. H. Hagy.

Clear Fork District.
Graham, W. L. Burton; Pocahontas, J. W. Owens; Tip Top, J. P. Crockett; Gratton, F. H. Cox; Cove Creek, J. W. Slade; Burke's Garden, H. A. Long; Abbs Valley, S. P. Mustard; Bluestone, John Carter; Falls Mills, J. J. Buckland.

Maiden Spring District.
Cedar Bluff, J. Ed. McGuire; Baptist Valley, Wm. Bandy; Liberty Hill, J. G. Barnes; Poor Valley, M. F. Brown; Lockhart's Chapel, S. F. Allison; Midway, D. Green; Pounding Mill, J. Sanders Gillespie; Richlands, W. B. F. White; Raven, L. D. Boyd.

The following delegates were selected to the Congressional convention:

Jeffersonville District.

S. P. Goodwin, P. S. Ellis, W. H. Hager, John B. Witten, C. A. Leece, J. A. Puckett, W. O. George, W. A. Leece, S. S. F. Harman, Barnes Gillespie, H. A. Bowen, J. S. Gillespie, Reese Johnson, Albert Hagg, H. G. McCall, J. Powell Royall, J. A. Greener, W. L. Moore, R. O. Crockett, M. L. Peery, Nye Britts, John H. Peery, Peel Harman, J. P. Whitman, J. J. Riley, T. H. Crockett, A. P. Beavers, Lee Roy, L. D. Wright, J. R. Lewis, Brown, W. G. O'Brien, G. W. Lewis, C. W. Greener, H. S. Surface, J. N. Harman, Dr. J. W. Witten, C. Henry Harman, W. J. Hankins, C. Harman, Peery, Jerome Kroll, T. G. McCall, Dave Williams, John W. Yost, John D. Farmer, J. G. Lambert, John W. Yost, Wm. Clayton, Alex Witten, H. L. Spratt, T. C. Bowen.

Clear Fork District.

W. L. Burton, C. W. Matthews, Walter Graham, W. M. Painter, E. V. Sproles, J. W. Owens, Walter Graybeal, E. S. Mustard, Dr. W. Pyott, Grat Gillespie, R. C. Wells, John Carter, James Buckland, H. A. Long, J. W. Slade, M. F. Neel, J. Floyd Gillespie, W. I. Short, J. W. Wade, C. C. Wilson, J. W. Shuffelbarger, Sam Shawver.

Maiden Spring District.

W. B. Spratt, W. B. F. White, C. C. Hyatt, J. F. Bradley, G. G. Harris, L. D. Boyd, T. H. White, S. D. Claypool, C. E. Luskvires, A. H. McGraw, J. H. Bandy, George Shanks, D. C. Lowe, S. F. Mason, W. G. Gillespie, W. R. Bowen, W. S. Patrick, H. J. Whitte, D. Green, W. Lester, J. Sanders Gillespie, Jetha Phillips, Rex Steele, F. O. Gillespie, John A. Higginbotham, Ad. Hansew, Dr. W. I. Cunningham, B. V. Elswick, W. L. C. Burke, J. B. Altizer, J. R. Helton, S. A. Simms, R. W. Shreve, Jr., M. C. Lowe, J. Ed. McGuire, H. W. Bane, Joe McGuire, D. F. Earles, Moses Crockett, W. B. Elswick, C. N. Harman, W. S. Taylor, J. I. Hill, W. B. Greer, Geo. W. Christian, C. H. Steele, Geo. W. Christian, C. H. Steele, J. L. Ascue, James Barnes, O. J. Nunley, John Hoops, J. M. Alley, Jeff Brown, Jr.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions were passed:
"The Republicans of Tazewell county once more assemble in mass meeting under the most auspicious and happy conditions. As a thoroughly united party, we will give hearty support to the principles and party and to its candidate, Charles E. Hughes, for President."

"We most cordially endorse the efficient representative in the Virginia Legislature, Hon. J. Powell Royall in the Senate, and Hon. E. H. Witten in the House of Delegates and endorse their course in the last session of the Legislature."

"We must heartily commend the course of that great American citizen, Theodore Roosevelt, in placing the seal of condemnation upon the weak and vacillating policies of President Wilson, and for his prompt and earnest support of Charles E. Hughes, candidate of the Republican party for President."

"Resolved, That each delegate in attendance upon the district convention is authorized to cast his proportional part of the vote of the county, and that any Republican from the county who may attend the convention is given authority to sit as a delegate and vote therein."

HIS ESCAPE.

First Private—How did Schmidt escape from the Scottish guard?

Second Private—He passed his helmet asking for contributions and the guard disappeared—Judge.

IS POCAHONTAS DRY?

(Communicated.)

Pocahontas, Va., July 10.

Editor Clinch Valley News:

Is Pocahontas dry? No, from observation it is not. Where are our good officers? Have they gone to sleep on the job or not? Every day it is great loads of whiskey being brought in and sold here. From a certain street, still our good officers sleep on. Yet they cry revenue. It seems to me here is the opportunity if the officers would do their duty. The "Outers" law went into effect about two weeks ago, and we have had two very nice Sundays, with the exception of an automobile load of whiskey last Sunday and I understand our council passed a law a few days ago granting the sale in our town on Sunday of all kinds of soft drinks, tobacco, cigars, gasoline and in fact everything but dry goods and groceries. If your town is doomed to go to the bad altogether, why not grant the sale of dry goods and groceries on Sunday?

I do pray that the Lord may put it in the hearts of the good people of our town to put down the evil as far as possible on the Lord's day, instead of granting license for a wide-open town as they have done.

Respectfully,
A CITIZEN.

BENBOW NEWS NOTES.

Benbow, July 11.—Rev. Mr. Hamrick, and Rev. Mr. Gibson, of Graham, preached at the White church Sunday afternoon. They were accompanied from Graham by Misses Edna Catron, Lillie Puckett, and Mr. Stanley Hamrick.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Buchanan are the proud parents of a baby girl. John Puckett, J. W. Cregar, Dr. N. Matthews, Alva Cregar, and L. W. Gibson motored to Graham to spend a few days last week.

Mrs. S. E. White, of Roanoke, is spending a few weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Leece.

Mr. S. L. Wimmer is visiting relatives in the valley. Mr. Wimmer reports that crops are growing fine in Eastern Virginia.

Miss Marie Scott was the guest of Miss Nan Ella Claytor Saturday and Sunday nights.

Misses Susie and Carrie Cregar spent the Fourth in Bluefield and Graham.

Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Buchanan are spending the week with Mrs. Buchanan's parents in Bland county.

Miss Susie Crabtree and sister, Mrs. Newberry were shopping in Tazewell last Friday.

Mrs. Lizzie Thompson is improving slowly from her recent illness.

A number of young people from this place spent the 4th at Mr. Peery's, Nye Britts, John H. Peery, Peel Harman, J. P. Whitman, J. J. Riley, T. H. Crockett, A. P. Beavers, Lee Roy, L. D. Wright, J. R. Lewis, Brown, W. G. O'Brien, G. W. Lewis, C. W. Greener, H. S. Surface, J. N. Harman, Dr. J. W. Witten, C. Henry Harman, W. J. Hankins, C. Harman, Peery, Jerome Kroll, T. G. McCall, Dave Williams, John W. Yost, John D. Farmer, J. G. Lambert, John W. Yost, Wm. Clayton, Alex Witten, H. L. Spratt, T. C. Bowen.

TO "OUR BOY JOHN."

(A beautiful tribute from the Richmond News-Leader.)

John Drinard was only fifteen and an apprentice boy in the News-Leader composing room. It was his business to assemble the "takes" from the linotype machines, to "pull" the proofs and to set some of the heads. As men measure industrial achievement, little John was a tiny cog in a great, high-pressure machine. Yet there is not a man on the staff of the News-Leader who does not feel that the plant runs less smoothly and less happily this afternoon because our little apprentice boy met his death yesterday in a treacherous hole in Swift creek.

The real measure of a man is not what he does but how he does it. In the great democracy of Heaven the prince outranks the pauper only when his heart is purer, his purpose higher and his devotion is greater. The man who turns a little wheel with faith and zeal and gives his best to each day's task is greater far than he who leads an army forth and fails to consecrate his all to his appointed work. And so it was our little boy John ranked high. He was his father's son in energy, trustworthiness and mind. He was devoted to the glorious craft he had begun and he performed the humblest task with patience never weary and with enthusiasm that never flagged. Had he lived he would have been a great printer. But we loved John in the News-Leader office not less for what he was than for what he promised to be. We loved him, above all else, because he never lost his smile. Whether you saw him in the early morning while the men were waiting for the daily grind to begin, or whether you saw him, ink-besmeared, as he stood at his case in the last, nerve-racking rush before press time, John had always a smile—the smile of youth untroubled and faith unbroken. Sometimes that smile lit up the busy room where thirty men were toiling; sometimes it reached where little John would never think and soothed a pang his own short life had not experienced. He is smiling yet, is our little boy John. Heaven is brighter for that smile!

INTERMONT CHAUTAUQUA AT BRISTOL, JULY 23-28.

Excellent course, taught by able teachers, popular lectures by lecturers of national reputation on various religious subjects, discussed by pastors, theological professors and other religious workers. Rev. T. H. Campbell and others from the Tazewell Baptist church expect to attend. Let as many as possible embrace this opportunity for religious instruction and social intercourse.

NEW BOOKS ADDED.

The committee wishes to tell the members of the Library that four new books have been added this week. Several new members have been added to our list, also, this month, and the interest manifested in this work encourages the committee to believe in a library on a larger scale some day. The reading room is open from 3 to 5 every afternoon, except Wednesday. One annual membership is \$2.00. Half year subscriptions accepted.

The new books are:
The Prisoner, by Alice Brown.
Susanna Stirs the Fire, by Emily Calvin Blake.

The Proof of the Pudding, by Madeline Nicholson.

Rich Man, Poor Man, by Maximilian Foster.

BLIND PREACHER TO HOLD MEETING

Series of Prayer Services to Be Held Preparatory to Revival In Which All Denominations Will Participate.

All the people of Tazewell, without regard to their church relationships will be glad to learn that Rev. R. G. McLees, of Chatham, Va., will hold another series of services in our town this summer. Mr. McLees is remembered as the blind preacher and was here two summers ago. All denominations were charmed by his splendid sermons. He is a master word-painter. His style is so simple that a child can understand. And yet his sermons are so gripping and so powerful that they are bound to live in the memories of his hearers. There is no sensationalism about his sermons or about his methods; but he preaches the simple gospel with tenderness and power.

Mr. McLees has recently closed a meeting in Salem, Va., and our town is fortunate in securing him again for another series of services.

Last Monday the ministers of the town held a meeting at which it was decided that all the churches would co-operate not only in the meeting, but also in a careful preparation for the meeting. The services will be held in the Presbyterian church, but it is to be a union meeting. All the pastors are behind it. And it is hoped that every Christian of the town will feel that it is "our meeting."

We feel the need of careful preparation for the meeting; the need of getting every Christian in town interested; need of having hundreds of prayers ascending from hundreds of hearts in Tazewell; the need of getting the Christian people together in as many prayer bands as possible in the two weeks that must elapse before the meeting.

Preparatory to the McLees meeting open air services will be conducted at 7:30 p. m. at the following times and places:

On Virginia Avenue, near Residence of A. B. White:

Tuesday, July 18, led by J. N. Harman.

Thursday, July 20, W. W. Arrowood.

Tuesday, July 25, by W. S. Bullard.

Thursday, July 27, by R. B. Platt.

On Hotel Avenue, near the Residence of Squire Geo. W. Patton:

Tuesday, July 18, T. B. Campbell.

Thursday, July 20, R. B. Platt.

Tuesday, July 25, W. W. Arrowood.

Thursday, July 27, C. R. Brown.

On Thompson Avenue, near the Residence of John S. Thompson:

Tuesday, July 18, T. A. Repass.

Thursday, July 20, T. H. Campbell.

On South Avenue, near Residence of Dock Richardson:

Tuesday, July 18, R. B. Platt.

Thursday, July 20, J. N. Harman.

On the Lawn of A. Z. Litz:

Tuesday, July 25, C. R. Brown.

Thursday, July 27, W. S. Bullard.

On Lawn of J. N. Harman:

Tuesday, July 18, W. S. Bullard.

Thursday, July 20, C. R. Brown.

Tuesday, July 25, R. B. Platt.

Thursday, July 27, W. W. Arrowood.

On Lawn of Mrs. Mary O'Keefe:

Tuesday, July 18, J. N. Johnson.

Thursday, July 20, W. S. Bullard.

Tuesday, July 25, D. P. Harley.

Thursday, July 27, J. N. Harman.

There will be regular prayer meetings in the churches each Wednesday night.

It is hoped that all of the Christian people of Tazewell will attend these services, that there may be a great volume of prayer going up to the throne of grace. "Ye that make mention of the Lord, keep not silence and give Him no rest, till he establish and till he make Jerusalem a praise in the earth." Isa. 62:6, 7.

POUNDING MILL NEWS.

Pounding Mill, July 12.—Mr. and Mrs. George Maxwell and daughter, Miss Vera, from Fort Myers, Fla., are visiting Mr. Maxwell's sister, Mrs. Martha Sparks, and family and numerous friends here. Mr. Maxwell has a lucrative position as district manager of the Western Union Telegraph Company. He learned telegraphy a great many years ago at this place. His old friends as well as relatives, are delighted to see him again.

Miss Mary B. Altizer, of Richlands, spent Monday night and Tuesday visiting her brother, J. T. Altizer and family.

Miss Ada Pruitt, of Shradlers, came yesterday to spend some time.

Rev. Mr. Hughes, the Episcopal minister, who has had a catarrh removed from his eye, expects to leave the hospital in Bluefield tomorrow. His good wife has also been indisposed the past week, but of course now will soon be well again.

The Rev. Wiley Yost, of Gap Store, filled the appointment for R. E. Greer last Sunday night, and preached to an appreciative audience. Mr. Yost has been enlisted in the Lord's army for the past fifty years, being converted at the early age of 17, obeying the injunction of our Master, "Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth." He and his good wife, who was Miss Sallie McGuire and one son, live happily together in their new home built a few years ago. His many relatives in the far west, who read this will be glad to hear that he is still preaching the gospel. He was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Steele.

Mrs. C. M. Hunter attended the red tag sale at Tazewell Monday.

Mr. A. J. Myers, who spent the past two weeks with his son, Fudge, returned to his home near Hollins on Wednesday.

Dr. Rex Steele left yesterday to attend the Veterinary Association at Ocean View. On his return he will spend a day or two with his roommate, "Bill" Elliott near Richmond, and perhaps visit the family of Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Baker in Shenandoah, who formerly resided here and have

two lovely and accomplished daughters.

Dr. G. L. Zimmerman and Mr. J. H. Williamson have quite a nice time riding out in the doctor's car, "going away" to get married, as we are wedding dinner.

Mrs. Julia Williams spent today with Mrs. W. B. Greer near Gillespie. It was a Methodist missionary occasion—twelve ladies were present to dinner, besides a number of children. The next meeting will be near the Maxwell church in the grove on the second Wednesday in August, a picnic.

Mrs. H. W. Christian and daughter, Miss Gussie, are visiting their daughter and sister, Mrs. Wright, at Athens, Va. They will visit their sister and aunt, Rev. Nannie B. Osborne in Princeton and other points before returning home.

Mrs. W. B. Steele and daughter, Mrs. John B. Gillespie and Miss Grace Bourne, spent Friday and Friday night at Cedar Bluff visiting their mother and aunt, Mrs. Jane A. McGuire and daughter, Miss Pearl. Miss Bourne is spending the week there.

F. Myers was at Tazewell yesterday. He has almost recovered from his recent illness and thinks it unnecessary to attend Hot Springs, Ark. Dr. Walter Witten is treating his stubborn case.

Miss Rebekah Davis made a business trip to Tazewell yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Johnson and children recently visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Richard White, near Raven.

Farmers are very busy stacking wheat, cutting grass and "laying by" the corn. Good crops are reported.

Rev. Kate McBride, of Cedar Bluff, preach in the Church of God next Saturday night and Sunday at 11 o'clock. All are cordially invited to attend these services.

The concert given by the Richlands Male Quartette Monday night was greatly enjoyed and well attended.

Mrs. J. L. Ellis and daughter, Jolly Fellows Glee Club consist of the following persons: Rev. B. N. Waterhouse, director and organist; L. A. Barrett, 2nd tenor; Boyd Burgess, 1st tenor; C. R. Stinson, baritone; Claude Kitts, 2nd bass. There were a number of encores. The W. C. T. U. decorated the church beautifully with flowers, evergreens, flags, banners. We hope to have these men with us again before a great while.

Mrs. R. K. Gillespie spent Friday and Saturday nights in Bluefield at the Chautauqua and heard the famous prima donna, Miss Neilson, which she highly enjoyed.

John B. Gillespie is traveling this week in his car in West Virginia.

Mrs. L. L. Ellis and daughter, of Whitewood, spent from Sunday to today visiting their sister and aunt, Mrs. Martha Sparks, and relatives and friends.

P. H. Williams is in town looking after Dr. W. R. Williams farming. The doctor was here Monday.

Mrs. J. T. Altizer and children visited relatives in Richlands recently. Mr. Altizer was a visitor to Tazewell yesterday.

Mrs. Julia Crabtree, of Richlands, spent yesterday with her friend, Mrs. W. B. Steele on her way to Berwind for a few days.

L. T. L. and Mrs. Julia Williams' Sunday school class will have a picnic next Saturday. It is not a general picnic as announced—only a misunderstanding.

CEDAR BLUFF NEWS.

Cedar Bluff, July 12.—A party from Cedar Bluff, consisting of A. J. Crucey, C. R. Crucey, A. H. Fullen and Dr. Walter Hundy expect to start the last week of the 1916 Tour by auto.

They will visit all of the automobile factories in the city and expect to be gone fifteen to twenty days. Dr. Graham, of Belfast Mills, father-in-law of Dr. Bundy, will practice here while Dr. Bundy is away.

Two cars consisting of the following persons motored to Bluefield on the 12th: Mr. Pittman, Mrs. Hatcher, Mr. John Steele, Mr. C. R. Crucey, Miss Sada McGuire, Lona Crucey, Lucy Repass, Mr. A. H. Fullen, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Crucey, and C. H. Peery. They all reported a nice time, without any car trouble to be mentioned.

The Epworth League of Cedar Bluff will have to select a new president, as Miss Maggie Brexwater gave her married and went away. The fortune teller was Mr. Dailey, of Baptist Valley. It was a great loss to the league to lose its excellent president.

FULL PAY FOR THE SOLDIERS WHILE ABSENT.

Full pay while absent; at least as good a position when they return as they are leaving; and the Company's thanks for their readiness to do their duty—such is the treatment accorded those employees of the General Roofing Manufacturing Company, who have been called to serve the colors in the National Guard.

This Company, manufacturers of the widely advertised Certain-Ted Products, has twenty-one sales offices, 4 factories and about twenty-five warehouses over the country. Officials at the home office in St. Louis could give an estimate of the number of men in their employ who would be called or what their going would cost the company in continuing their salaries although it was thought that this might be a considerable item.

"It is as little as we can fairly do for these men," was the word sent by the President of the Company, George M. Brown, who is spending the summer at Oyster Bay, Long Island. Mr. Brown has been consistently in the front rank in St. Louis and in the middle west in advocating preparedness for defense. As chairman of the St. Louis branch of the National Security League he was an instigator and prime mover in the great preparedness parade in St. Louis on June 3rd. He is a graduate of West Point and his opinion on matters pertaining to the country's defense is as much respected as is his judgment in the affairs of the company, which he has directed with such remarkable success. Mr. Brown looks forward to universal service, when such circumstances as now confront the nation will find every man fit and ready to immediately take his place.

NEW FISHING LAW FOR TAZEWEEL

Supervisors Will Put Stop to Wholesale Robbery of Streams—County Demonstrator to Be Re-Employed.

The Board of Supervisors of the county enacted a new fishing law for the county last Tuesday, which will put a stop to the promiscuous draining of streams of the country of fish. The new law as enacted is as follows:

"Be it enacted by the Board of Supervisors of Tazewell county, Virginia, that it shall be unlawful to catch or destroy fish of any kind or species in Tazewell county in any way except by angling with hook and line with only one hook to the line, except that it shall be lawful for any person to land a net commonly known as a 'landing net' to land any black bass, brook or mountain trout, or rainbow trout hooked by lawful angling with hook and line; and that it shall be unlawful for any person, in fishing in Tazewell county to use artificial bait except the fly, with or without spinner, and with only one hook to the fly or line."

Any person violating any of the provisions of this act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be punished by a fine of not less than ten nor more than fifty dollars, or imprisoned in jail for not more than thirty days, or both fined and imprisoned at the discretion of the justice or jury trying the case.

This act shall take effect on July 20th, 1916.

The Board of Supervisors Tuesday made the annual appropriation of \$600 for the re-employment of a county farm demonstrator for the coming year, which begins with September 1st. Mr. Montague, the county demonstrator, who has joined the State militia in Richmond, will be re-employed if possible. His retention depends upon his release from the service. If he cannot return to Tazewell within a reasonable time, Mr. Moore, the district agent, who was here this week, promises to send another man here to take up the work where Mr. Montague left off.

A number of farmers and graziers of the county appeared before the Board and expressed the opinion that it would be a great mistake to dispense with the farm demonstrator at this time.

The matter of disposing of the recent bond issue of Jeffersonville and Clear Fork districts, is still in status quo and will likely remain in that condition for some time. The failure of J. C. Mayer and Company to take the bonds, because of some alleged technical error discovered by their attorneys, was a great disappointment to the road authorities of the county.

The Board, in connection with its attorney, is still wrestling with the proposition and some solution will be found. If the bonds cannot be disposed of right away to some other bond buyers, it is likely that the legality of the present issue will be tested by a suit.

TANNERSVILLE NEWS NOTES.

Tannersville, July 12.—Mrs. White Williams, and daughter, little Miss Dorothy Evelyn, of Joplin, Mo., who have been visiting numerous relatives and friends here, left Friday for Roanoke to visit relatives before going back home. The former's brother, Mr. G. A. French, of this place, accompanied them to Roanoke.

Mrs. Williams is a daughter of the late A. P. French and this is her first visit here since moving away sixteen years ago. Her daughter, Mrs. J. Frank Haley, who accompanied her will not return for a few weeks later.

Messrs. W. E. and R. P. Hilt were transacting business at Tazewell Saturday.

Mrs. W. W. Moore and little Miss Dorothy Moore, of Johnson City, spent several days here with relatives last week, returning to their home on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Necessary and children, of Yukon, W. Va., spent last week here with relatives, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Necessary.

Mr. J. A. Patrick, of Broadford, spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Patrick.

Mr. J. A. Patrick, of Broadford, Miss Mollie Myers, of Rich Valley, spent the week end here with her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Caldwell, her nephew. Master John Otis Caldwell, accompanied her home.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Necessary spent the week end with relatives at Broadford.

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Whitehead were the guests at the H. J. Whitehead home Sunday.

Mr. C. W. Ashury spent several days last week with his son, M. F. Ashury at Five Oaks.

Harvey Osborne, who has been working in West Virginia, is the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Osborne here.

Peirce, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Crabtree, has been ill the past week and was feared at one time he had pneumonia, but he is reported better.

Messrs. H. J. Whitehead and W. S. Patrick are attending the Republican mass meeting and horse day at Tazewell today. George Patrick is attending there during the latter's absence.

Mr. J. N. French left Monday for Tazewell, where he has accepted a position in J. A. Hagy's blacksmith shop.

Messrs. George and C. L. Totten, of Saltville, were visiting their brother, J. L. Totten, who is very sick, here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Holmes, of North Holston, were visitors here on Sunday.

Mr. G. W. Miller is transacting business in Tazewell today.

Misses May and Callie Toliver were several days the past week the guests of Misses Pearl and Kate Taylor at Broadford.

Mrs. J. A. Patrick, of Broadford,

and A. M. Crabtree, of North Holston, spent Thursday night here with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Crabtree.

Lost: Last Tuesday, the 4th, on the local ball grounds, one catcher's mitt and mask; last heard of was headed toward Benbow and Tazewell. But for what purpose we are at a loss to know, for the ball players from those places, to whom they are unable to use them effectively. A large reward is offered for the return of these articles. E. P.

THAT DOUBLE HEADED SNAKE STORY.

Isaiah, the Prophet Harry and his neighbor, J. W. Rothrock, of Falls Mills, were here Tuesday and paid this office a visit. In another column in this paper is a wonderful snake story, clipped from the Graham Daily News, upon whose authority the story was published and on which account the truth thereof may be discounted.

But not so, Calloway is vindicated, he